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25X1 1. [redacted] information on troop areas:

- (a) Hlohovec 4826N-1748E - [] while travelling by train from Trnava to Nitra 4819N-1805E, I observed [] an indeterminate number of Czech soldiers constructing a ponton bridge on the Vah River See Point 1, Encl A. The river was approximately 100 meters wide at the point where the soldiers were building the bridge. A short distance from the bridge construction site, I saw a military compound Point 2, Encl A which contained an undetermined number of brick buildings. I estimate that the compound would house 1,000 troops.
- (b) Malacky 4826N-1701E - [] artillery guns firing in the vicinity of Malacky. [] there was an anti-aircraft and artillery firing range located near Malacky, []

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- (c) Trnava /4822N-1736E/- [redacted] I noticed soldiers, wearing black epaulettes and armed with Tokarev M1933 pistols, in the vicinity of the military hospital. [redacted] that the military hospital had a bed capacity of one thousand. I have no further information on the military hospital. Trnava was the headquarters of an unidentified division of which Major General (fnu) Pivovarcik was commander. This is all the information I have on this division. 25X1
- (d) Senica /4841N-1722E/- [redacted] Senica was the headquarters of an unidentified artillery regiment. [redacted] an artillery firing range was located about five km southwest of Senica. Dr Kelesy was a district doctor assigned to Trnava and was required to be present at the firing range during practice firing in order to provide medical care in case of accidents. I have no further information. 25X1
- (e) Sastin /4838N-1709E/- While travelling from Trnava to Sastin in June 1951, I saw two trucks (identical to the WW II model US Army, 6x6, 2 1/2-ton, cargo truck) loaded with soldiers. There were between 20 and 25 soldiers in each truck. The soldiers wore green epaulettes which, I heard, identified Border Guard troops. These soldiers were armed with the Czech Model 23 sub-machine gun. [redacted] I have no knowledge of where these troops were stationed or of their destination. 25X1
- (f) Topolcany /4834N-1811E/- [redacted] there were two artillery regiments and an officers' school located in Topolcany. I do not know the numerical designations of the artillery regiments or the subjects taught at the Officers' School. [redacted] two buildings which housed the artillery regiments; each was a four-story brick building, approximately 50 x 20 m, painted a light brown. A wire fence, approximately three m high and supported by concrete posts about six m apart, surrounded the two buildings. A rubber factory was located about 600 m east of the two buildings. [redacted] the factory produced insulation for wire and various other communications materials. I have no other information. 25X1

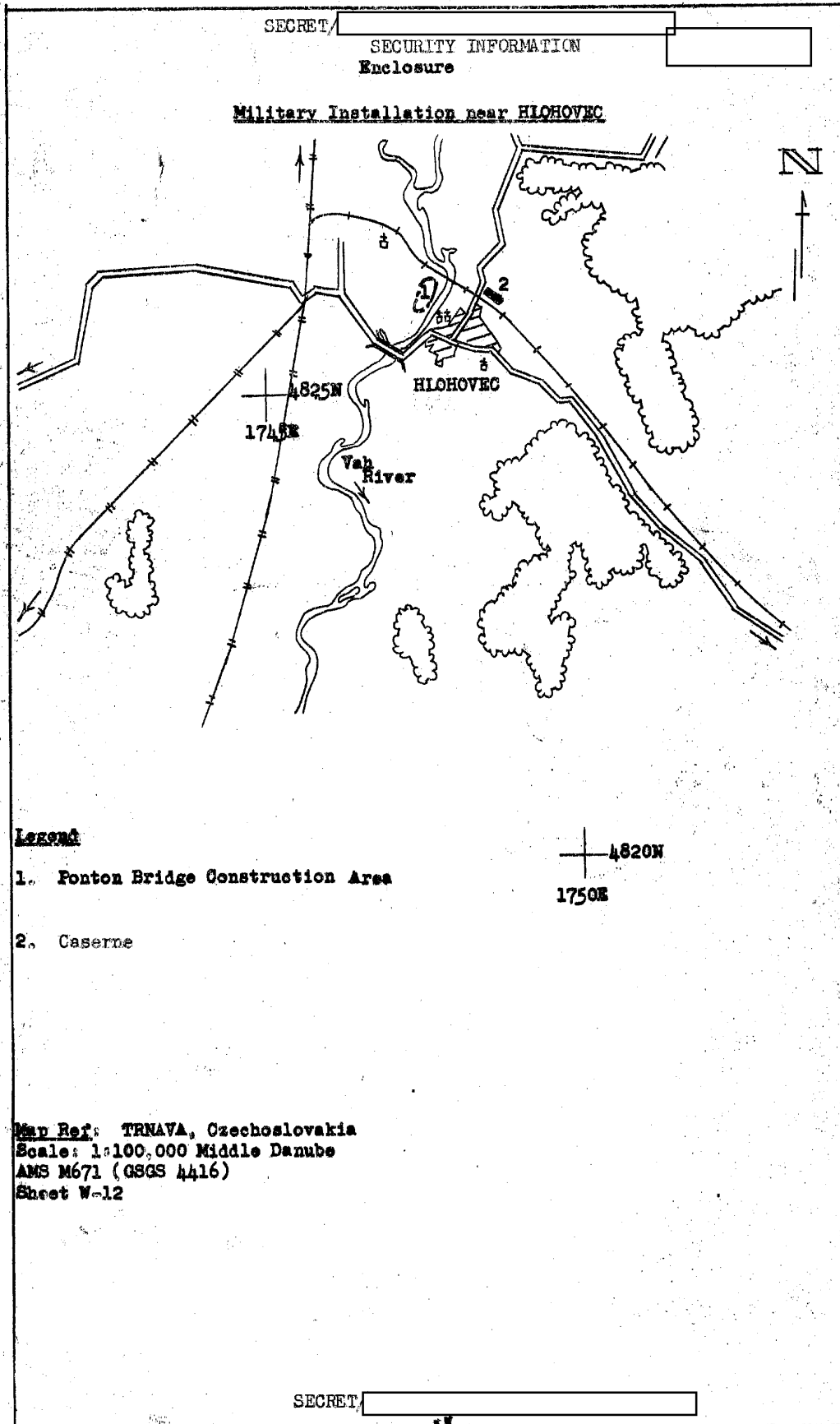
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